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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

OAKLAND DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) CASE NO. 14-MG-70886-MAG
Plaintiff,)
v.)
RYAN ALLEN SISEMORE,)
a/k/a Ryan Allan Sisemore,)
VICTOR EASLEY,)
OSCAR VARGAS,)
RONNIE RICHARD TURNER,)
a/k/a Ronnie Allen Turner)
a/k/a Ronnie Richard Allen Turner)
a/k/a Ronnie Richard Alle Turner, and)
FIL FILIMON GUITRON III,)
Defendants.)

The Government, by and through its attorney of record, and the defendants, by and through their attorneys of record, hereby stipulate and ask the Court to find as follow:

1. Defendants Ryan Allen Sisemore, Victor Easley, Oscar Vargas, Ronnie Richard Turner, and Fil Filimon Guitron III (collectively, the “Defendants”) were charged by complaint in the above-referenced matter in the Northern District of California with conspiracy and possession with intent to

1 distribute a controlled substance, to wit: heroin.

2 2. The United States believes that the proposed protective order is necessary to preclude
 3 some discovery materials, which may contain the identities of potential witnesses and/or cooperating
 4 witnesses or information from which those identities may be discovered, from being disseminated
 5 among members of the public and to the Defendants. Specifically, the government believes that the
 6 proposed protective order will greatly reduce the possibility that individuals will misuse discovery
 7 materials to identify, intimidate, and/or harm witnesses and/or the Defendants.

8 3. The parties agree that the following conditions, if ordered by the Court, should serve the
 9 government's interest in protecting witnesses, the Defendants, and other members of the community, as
 10 well as reduce the risk of retribution against cooperating witnesses by precluding the circulation of these
 11 documents and digital media (e.g., CD-ROMs, DVDs, and digital photographs) throughout the prison
 12 system and the community, while still permitting the defense to obtain discovery required by Federal
 13 Rule of Criminal Procedure 16 and the United States Constitution. Accordingly, the parties jointly
 14 request that the Court order as follows:

15 a. For purposes of this Order, the term "defense team" refers to: (1) the counsel of
 16 record for each of the respective Defendants; (2) defense investigators assisting said counsel
 17 with their case; (3) employees of said counsel's law office; and (4) any expert witnesses who
 18 may be retained or appointed by said counsel. For purposes of this Order, the term "defense
 19 team" does not include any of the Defendants.

20 b. This protective order applies only to any discovery consisting of disclosures
 21 relating to the government's confidential source (hereafter, the "CS") in this case or any
 22 cooperating witnesses, including, but not limited to, the recorded meetings and telephone
 23 calls between the CS and any of the Defendants and any recorded safety valve, proffer or
 24 debrief sessions with cooperating witnesses. The aforementioned disclosures are referred to
 25 herein as "Confidential Discovery."

26 c. The defense team may object to the government's designation of materials that it
 27 believes should not be categorized as "Confidential Discovery," and may seek relief from the
 28 Court if the defense team disagrees with the government's designation. However, the

1 defense team shall not dispute that any videos depicting the government's confidential source
2 constitute Confidential Discovery.

3 d. The defense team shall not permit anyone, including any of the Defendants, to
4 have possession of Confidential Discovery pursuant to this Order other than the defense
5 team. The defense team will also not share or provide information regarding the Confidential
6 Discovery to any other counsel of record (or his/her defense team) if the co-defendant's
7 counsel has failed to join this stipulation.

8 e. The defense team shall not discuss the contents of any Confidential Discovery
9 provided pursuant to this Order to anyone other than the individual defendant that they
10 represent. A defense team member may show Confidential Discovery to their particular
11 defendant or a potential witness only in the physical presence of a defense team member, and
12 may not permit any of the Defendants or the potential witness to have physical possession of
13 the Confidential Discovery.

14 f. The defense team shall not permit Confidential Discovery, provided pursuant to
15 this Order, to be outside of the defense team's offices, homes, vehicles, or personal control.
16 The defense team may take Confidential Discovery into a custodial facility to show it to the
17 Defendants, but, as explained above, the defense team must maintain physical possession of
18 the Confidential Discovery and may not allow the Defendants to have physical possession of
19 the Confidential Discovery.

20 g. In the event that one of the parties files a pleading that references or contains
21 Confidential Discovery or information therefrom, that filing must be made under seal.

22 h. Upon request of the Government, the defense team shall return all Confidential
23 Discovery provided pursuant to this Order to the government within fourteen calendar days
24 after any one of the following events, whichever occurs latest in time: dismissal of all
25 charges against the individual defendant that they represent; their individual defendant's
26 acquittal by court or jury; the conclusion of any direct appeal involving their defendant; the
27 expiration of the time period for filing a motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255; or the district
28 court's ruling on any motion filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255. In the event that the defense

1 team has made notes or marks on the Confidential Discovery constituting work product the
2 defense team shall return the materials to the government in a sealed container labeled
3 "CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEY WORK PRODUCT-DESTROY" and the government will
4 dispose of the material accordingly.

5 i. After return of the materials, the government may destroy the Confidential
6 Discovery.

7 IT IS SO STIPULATED.

8 Respectfully submitted,

9 MELINDA HAAG
10 United States Attorney

11 DATED: August 13, 2014

12 _____/s/
13 KATIE BURROUGHS MEDEARIS
14 Assistant United States Attorney

15 DATED: August 13, 2014

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18 Counsel for Defendant FIL GUITRON, III

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26 Counsel for Defendant OSCAR VARGAS

27 DATED: August 13, 2014

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Counsel for Defendant RONNIE TURNER

DATED: August 13, 2014

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KENNETH HOWARD WINE
Counsel for Defendant VICTOR EASLEY

1 IT IS SO ORDERED.
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3 DATED: August 14 , 2014


4 HONORABLE KANDIS WESTMORE
5 United States Magistrate Judge
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